

REMARKS

Claims 1-13, 16-24, 27, 30-33 and 36-37 have now been cancelled.

Claims 14, 15, 26, 28, 29 and 34 have been amended. All amendments are fully supported by the originally disclosure. See, for example, page 10, line 22 through page 11, line 9. No new matter has been introduced.

Claims 14, 15, 25, 26, 28, 29, 34 and 35 remain pending.

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §102

Claims 10, 12, 14-21, 25-31 and 36-37 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Alecci.

Rejections against claims 10, 12, 16-21, 27, 30-31 and 36-37 have been rendered moot by their cancellations.

Amended claims 14 and 15 are patentable over Alecci because Alecci failed to anticipate the amended recitation of

building by the media player, the graphical display object based first, on the custom values of the second plurality of elements and then, on the default values of the first plurality of elements that are not included among the second plurality of elements.

Alecci teaches a different “overriding” approach which involves retrieving and storing of the default values of all elements of the display object, and then overriding the default values of the elements having overridden values. See e.g. col. 7 lines 39-50, where Alecci states

The first step at 800 in performing a screen update or query of an attribute of a screen subobject is to copy the subobject default attribute values to a scratch memory area 806. Next, at step 802, overriding attributes, if any, are substituted for the corresponding default attributes by copying the overriding attributes from the appropriate array, here from array 712 into the appropriate slots of the scratch memory 806.

For at least these reasons, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 14 and 15 are patentable over Alecci.

Claims 25-26 and 28-29 depend on claims 14 and 15, incorporating their recitations, respectively. Accordingly, for at least the same reasons, claims 25-26 and 28-29 are patentable over Alecci.

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §103

Claim 32-35 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Alecci and Hawkins.

Rejections of claims 32-33 have been rendered moot by their cancellations.

Hawkins does not remedy the above discussed deficiencies of Alecci, therefore, claims 14 and 15 are patentable over Alecci, even when combined with Hawkins.

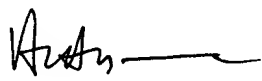
Claims 34 and 35 depend on claims 14 and 15, incorporating their recitations, respectively. Accordingly, for at least the same reasons, claims 34 and 35 are patentable over Alecci and Hawkins combined.

Conclusion

Applicants have further endeavored to address all of the Examiner's concerns as expressed in the outstanding Office Action. Any claim amendments which are not specifically discussed in the above remarks have not been made for patentability purposes. In addition, such amendments do not narrow the scope of the claims. Rather, these amendments have only been made to increase claim readability, to improve grammar, and to reduce the time and effort required of those in the art to clearly understand the scope of the claim language. In light of the above amendments and remarks, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejection is requested and early issuance of the Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

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